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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 119, Applicant hereby claims the priority of German Patent Application No. 103 00 280.4 filed January 8, 2003 and European Patent Application No. 03 014 661.7 filed June 27, 2003. The certified copy will be filed in due course.

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